CITY OF DETROIT FISCAL 2006/07 BUDGET

AGENCY 72 DETROIT PUBLIC LIBRARY

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Detroit Public Library enhances the quality of life for the diverse and dynamic community in the City of Detroit. The Library enlightens and empowers its citizens to meet their lifelong learning needs through open and equitable access to information, technology, and cultural/educational programs. In fulfilling its mission, the Detroit Public Library will focus on: Collecting, preserving, digitizing and providing access to that portion of the record of human experience and achievement of the most significance for future generations. Assuring that library resources are available to all who need them at accessible times and places. Providing library services for the specialized needs of special segments of the community. Responsiveness and flexibility toward changing community needs.

DESCRIPTION

The Detroit Public Library serves as the city's information hub and a major educational and informational resource. The Main Library has a book collection of over 1.7 million volumes; this is supplemented by current periodicals, and an extensive Audio, Video and DVD collection. In addition, the library has up to 4 million pieces of manuscripts, sheet music, scores, photographs, pictures and government documents. 23 neighborhood branches serve as community centers, providing informational services that are unique to their communities. Over 700 public access computers provide customers with Internet access. Computer assistance and training is available at most library locations. Two bookmobiles make weekly stops to schools and community centers farthest removed from library locations.

GOALS

- 1. Provide quality customer service in an environment of continuous improvement.
- 2. Provide access to a variety of resources and services that meet the informational needs of the customers.
- 3. Strengthen library resources and services to children, youth and seniors.
- 4. Expand access to library resources and services.
- 5. Increase the awareness and utilization of library resources and services.
- 6. Enhance technologies to meet the needs of a diverse community of users.
- 7. Expand training in the use of technology resources.
- 8. Improve the community's access to electronic resources through remote access and customer authentication from the home or office.
- 9. Increase resources that foster adult literacy, job training and lifelong learning.
- 10. Provide cultural and informational programs in response to the community's needs and interests.
- 11. Provide an environment that fosters innovation, risk-taking and effective internal and external communication.
- 12. Maximize the resources of the library through the effective use of assets.
- 13. Develop and implement innovative financial and operational strategies.

DEPARTMENTAL FINANCIAL INFORMATION

	CAPITAL					
EXPENDITURES	<u>OTHER</u>		PROJECTS		<u>TOTAL</u>	
REVENUES	\$46,333,808		\$750,000		\$47,083,808	
NET TAX COST	46,333,808		<u>750,000</u>		47,083,808	
	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0
POSITIONS		465		0		465